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Dependent -
Personnel

15 November 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)
THROUGH : Deputy Director (Plans)
SUBJECT : Authorization for Travel -
Dependent Wife of [REDACTED]

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1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph four for which your approval is requested.

2. [REDACTED] his wife and children, are scheduled to depart 16 November 1963 for PCS assignment [REDACTED] This is a culmination of several frustrating efforts over the last four months to fill a very high priority requirement levied at the highest level. This is a most undesirable post. The first candidate refused the assignment and in an attempt to get another employee [REDACTED], we directed the transfer of a [REDACTED] That officer was processed through Washington at which time we learned he had a medical hold restricting his assignment to this post. This necessitated that we start all over again, where upon, [REDACTED] who is an extremely well-qualified experienced CA officer, was selected for this assignment. Considerable pressure was applied in the highest levels of the [REDACTED] to expedite [REDACTED] at the earliest possible date.

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3. During the routine physical examination of [REDACTED] by the Agency, a peculiarity in her eyesight was detected and she was referred to an outside doctor for diagnosis. This resulted in her learning last week that she has glaucoma. We are told that treatment consists of the application of proper drops in the eyes and, in recognition of the Division's need for [REDACTED] the Medical Staff will approve her for travel. The specialist in John Hopkins University Hospital who is treating her urges that she return in about four months for a further check as to the effectiveness of the treatment. He advises she return to him rather than to another physician less familiar with the case or less well equipped. Since this is not an illness incurred while located abroad, travel cannot be authorized under the provisions of [REDACTED] paragraph 3a.

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4. It is, therefore, requested that you authorize the round trip transportation for [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to Washington, D.C., for this examination under the provisions of [REDACTED] (3) rather than cancelling

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25X1A9a [redacted] assignment. Further delay in filling this requirement would be a matter of serious embarrassment to the Agency. This action is deemed necessary in order to staff this station at this time with a qualified officer to accomplish a high priority operational task. Since [redacted] has willingly accepted this assignment with full knowledge of his wife's condition and the lack of adequate medical facilities at his post, I feel that we should, in return, agree to place his wife at a location where she may obtain proper treatment when required. No per diem is requested for the time she will spend in Washington nor shall we pay for medical expenses related to this illness.

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[redacted]
Chief,
Western Hemisphere Division

RECOMMEND APPROVAL:

Signed

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CONCUR:

CONCUR; only in
travel to [redacted]. Husband has
agreed with this in discussion with Dr.

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Chief, Medical Staff

Date

Deputy Director (Plans)

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RECOMMENDATION IN PARAGRAPH FOUR APPROVED: (See note below)*

Signed

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Deputy Director (Support)

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* While I agree with the position taken by the Chief, Medical Staff in his qualified concurrence that the medical facilities available at [redacted] are adequate, I nevertheless, for operational reasons which have been orally explained to me, approve the recommendation in paragraph 4 if [redacted] decides at the time travel is necessary to send his wife to Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Signed

LKW

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